

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 06-726)**

In the Application of:	)	
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Donald Cowling et al.	)	Examiner: Mark Hageman
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Serial No.: 10/591,507	)	Group Art Unit: 3653
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Filed: September 1, 2006	)	Conf. No. 2328
	)	
Title: Separating Device and Sorting Apparatus	)	
With Two-Dimensional Array of Nozzles	)	
And Method of Sorting Objects	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REPLY TO THE AUGUST 14, 2009 RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir,

The examiner issued a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified case on August 14, 2009 requiring restriction of the application claims to one of two allegedly different inventions for examination purposes.

The applicant hereby elects to proceed with the examination of claims 1-28, drawn to a separating device and sorting apparatus.

The applicant makes this election with traverse.

Date: September 8, 2009

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